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[Article by Enver Hoxha, first secretary of the AWP Central Committee, entitled: "The Democratic Front, Led by the Party, Is the Great Organization of Unity, Organization and Peoples' Political Education" devoted to the Fifth Congress of the Albanian Democratic Front, to open in Vlore on 4 June, published in BASHKIMI--date not given]

[Text] The Fifth Congress of the Democratic Front, the great political organization of our country led by the AWP, opens in heroic Vlore tomorrow. The Democratic Front congress marks an event of great importance because it will express the feelings and the will of all our people who are united for a high and noble aim: the building of socialism and defending the fatherland and the victories of the revolution.

This extended assembly, which will discuss all the great problems set forth by the party and which concern the entire society, assumes a particular meaning because it is taking place in this jubilee year when we will celebrate the 35th anniversary of the country's liberation and the establishment of the people's regime. This victory--which is the greatest, the most glorious and the most significant victory in the centuries-old history of our people--was achieved as a result of the heroic struggle of our valiant partisans, the unity of the people around the National Liberation Front and the correct and farsighted guidance of the Albanian Communist Party.

In the great struggle for the country's liberation and social-liberation the Albanian people have encountered savage external and internal enemies. In this struggle they had to keep in mind and achieve two main goals: to secure a leadership faithful to their interests and to achieve unification. They could not take their destinies into their own hands without achieving these two goals. How did the Albanian people manage to achieve these two major goals? Was it with foreign assistance from abroad? No. They achieved them by being led by their own great centuries-old experience and by being enlightened by the immortal universal teachings of the theory of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin.

Our small country has produced many distinguished and wise men and many fighters, heroes and men of sacrifice for the country's freedom. At various times the peoples have been surprised by the heroism of our people. The wisdom of Albania's distinguished men has contributed to the treasure of world science and knowledge. However, despite the efforts and great sacrifices of these men, the people for whom they spared nothing did not properly achieve these two goals, which represented their liberation once and for all. Nevertheless, the effort and blood of our ancestors were not wasted. This blood shed in the country strengthened the foundations of Albania and their wisdom left indelible traces for successive generations. They left us a great lesson: He who fights together with the people and for the people will win not as an individual, but all the people--the whole nation--will win.

The voice and works of Albania's great men and their powerful call has been: Albanians, unite. And the cry of our enemies has been: Albanians, divide. This is the language which the great imperialist powers have always used, because in this way they could dominate and suppress us and enslave our nation for their own interests. The good and patriotic Albanian men sought unity for the country's liberation and the preservation of the Albanian language and alphabet against the halldup [Turkish occupier] and the fanar [the Turk]. They roamed from one country to another hoping to find protection and support abroad for the rights of the Albanian nation and the cause of the nation's independence and freedom, but found no backing anywhere. [paragraph continues]

Their only reliable support was the people, but the people lacked full unity because in the ranks of the rich, the feudal and the bourgeoisie there were also social forces which served the foreigners and opposed this unity. Nevertheless, the contribution made by the Albanian patriots was worthwhile and the seed sown by them did not decay. The day was bound to come when this seed would sprout strongly and flourish. Both the word and thought of our ancestors and their rifles and pistols have never ceased striving for the freedom of the Albanian people.

Foreigners and bad people within the country who sowed dissension claimed that a small country and people like ours could not survive without assistance from a big country. However, the good people who fought with sword, rifle and pen thought differently, and they were very right. Unity, cried Bak Bajrami, the old man from the northern highlands who was as strong as the mountains of Albania where he was born. Avni Rustemi cried: People, unite because the beys want to enslave and subdue us. When he wrote to Lenin that he would save Albania, Bajram Curi knew what he was saying and thinking. The young Avni Rustemi knew what he was doing when in the center of Paris he drew his pistol and fired on traitor (Esad Pasha), and this revolutionary democrat knew what he wanted when he called on the parliament of that time to stand up and honor the memory of Vladimir Ilich Lenin, the great man of Russia and all mankind.

The day which these martyrs were expecting had arrived. The seed sown by the brave, wise and good men of our country had sprouted in Albania. This seed needed to be cleansed and washed so that it could germinate strong and healthy and so that no wind or storm could destroy it. For this purpose the Albanian people had to follow their centuries-old tradition of struggle for freedom and unity, as well the great theory of Karl Marx and Vladimir Ilich Lenin and the example set by the Soviet Union, led by the Bolshevik Party and Stalin. The Communist Party of Albania, the leader of the struggle of the Albanian people, would emerge from the ranks of the working class, from the bosom of the people.

After 1912 a number of parties were formed in our country but they had no foundations and no clear program, although some of them were guided by good intentions. Life demanded fundamental social changes for which the objective conditions were becoming more propitious every year. However, the subjective aspect did not exist. There was no leadership. A leadership composed of only a group of people with some progressive ideas was not enough. What was needed was a party to represent the future and progress. This party could be no other than the party of the proletariat, the most progressive, strongest, best organized and the one most concerned for the revolution, the class which had its own scientific theory and which (?led it) and its allies in the struggle and revolution for national and social liberation.

For the formation of a true people's party the good intentions of only a number of people is not enough. This formation requires preparation of suitable grounds and elaboration of a program which should represent the interests and aspirations of the working people and which should be based on the pure ideals of the working people. The formation of such a party requires boundless allegiance to the people so that their hopes and noble feelings and their valor and desires are never betrayed.

Bajram Curi and Avni Rustemi did not just create a party and give it a name, as did some intellectuals, elements of feudalism and the bourgeoisie who had no clear ideas and were shaky. These intellectuals, who posed as if they were the ones who carried out the 1924 revolution, created some parties patterned on the parties of the European bourgeoisie, but Bajram Curi and Avni Rustemi, before creating a party, formed the political organization of the fatherland in Vlore. Later, they created the Unity Association with branches throughout the country. The aim of these associations was precisely to achieve the unity among the poor youths and the honest and courageous people who should join the struggle to win the country's true freedom and independence and social rights.

In the most difficult moments experienced by the world and their country, the Albanian communists were nurtured with the teachings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin. And, in the fire of the struggle they formed the Communist Party of Albania which would become, as it did, the true leader and would be faithful to the end to the Albanian working class and people. The party, inspired by the Marxist-Leninist ideology and the characteristic militant and progressive spirit of its people, embarked on the struggle for the most sacred cause--that is, to carry out the revolution and to realize the aims of our ancestors and parents who had fought to see Albania free, independent and democratic.

At that period of time the situation had changed. The October Socialist Revolution had triumphed in the Soviet Union. The great example set by the Soviet Union illuminated the road of communists, and showed to our people not only by words but also by deeds, struggle and bloodshed the only road to salvation, the road of unification and resolute struggle against the foreign occupiers who had invaded our country, and against the domestic traitors who were cooperating with the external enemies.

Comintern, the third Communist International, which was led by Lenin and Stalin, advised the Albanian communists to find the right road of the struggle, the road shown by the Marxist-Leninist ideology. The Comintern taught them to link up with the working class, penetrate the masses of the people and win over forces from there [word indistinct] and, under concrete suitable conditions, create their communist party. It is precisely because we Albanian communists followed this road that we won.

The Nazi-fascist occupiers were afraid of us. They were aware that the formation of the Communist Party would never leave them in peace. As the people called them, the notables--who included the permanent bastards of the Albanian nation and who always supported the foreign occupiers for the interests of their own class, and not the interests of Albania--sensed the great danger threatening them, united with the occupiers and, together with them, took all measures to destroy us. Thus the war against the Communist Party began.

The party appealed for the creation of the National Liberation Front to unite all the people, and that is what happened. The front advanced and won because it had deep roots in the people and because it was led by the wise, sure, strong and fearless party in the face of demagogy and slander, tanks, cannons and machineguns of the enemies. The National Front [Ballil Kombetar] also called for unity, but with other intentions. However, as is known, the National Front sank in the quagmire.

The party gathered in heroic Peze the representatives of all layers of the people and placed on the agenda the need to create a front that would be a large political organization led by the party, with a broad program which could be endorsed by people of all political convictions or religious beliefs, but united, all of them, to fight against the enemy with weapons, with the pen, with both overt and covert resistance, without vacillating and without weakening. The front's tasks and its duty to fight the enemy without vacillating were expressed by the party openly and clearly.

That historic meeting also defined the organizational forms of the National Liberation Front, which was to be extended throughout the country that was suffering under foreign occupation. The Peze conference also set out the tasks of the front councils to supply the army and the national liberation war with all that was needed. It gave these councils the embryonic form of the people's regime that was later to develop and be perfected as the state of the dictatorship of the proletariat. The enemies used all possible means, from slanders and calumnies, and ultimately even weapons, but the united party, the National Liberation Front and the people transformed them into dust and ashes. Why did they do this? What was this phenomenon that was happening in this small country. It was a phenomenon that proved that even a small country, even a people small in numbers, pure and honest, but strongly united, weapons in hand and led by great revolutionary ideas could protect with its great centuries-old traditions, could fight and win their freedom, independence and sovereignty, could make the revolution and establish the people's regime. [paragraph continues]

This constitutes a victory for the freedom-loving ideals of our ancestors, ideals that were further illuminated by the great ideals of Marxism-Leninism. The revolution in Albania won because the Communist Party of Albania placed itself in the vanguard of the masses of the people and achieved powerful unity.

The mercenary elements of Balli Kombetar, that treacherous organization that collaborated with the occupiers, tried to distort, confuse, damage and destroy the National Liberation Front, but to no avail. From the very historic day of its founding, the front, led by the party, became a great and large organization of the Albanian people. It became the means by which to achieve the unity, organization and political education of the people. In their monolithic unity lay the secret, the shattering might of our people and of their victory over the enemies. Relying strongly on these active forces, our party was to achieve miracles, successfully lead the revolution from the democratic and anti-imperialist stage to the stage of socialist revolution and of the dictatorship of the proletariat and of the construction of socialism.

Having won its victory, our country again went through difficult days. Innumerable efforts, magnificent battles and wise actions by our heroic party were needed to overcome difficulties. The energies of the people, united in the great organization of the Democratic Front and in all the other large mass organizations, had to be mobilized.

Within 2 years, with help from no one, we were able to rebuild all the buildings destroyed by the war, which had claimed 28,000 of our best comrades and had burned down and destroyed the entire country. The war damage was considerable, but the new Albania did not weaken because it had a powerful people and because the party and the ideology leading it were also powerful. The might of our people's unity was tempered in bitter struggle against external and internal enemies, against their remnants, who were trying to raise their heads and restore capitalism. Those imperialist powers who had been until the day before allies in the war against fascism, turned at the end of the war into dangerous enemies aiming to overthrow our people's regime. Despite this, they were unable to defeat the Albanian people, the Albanian working class and its glorious AWP.

The construction of socialism and the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat became a great reality in Albania. The construction of the foundations of socialism in accordance with the teachings of Lenin and Stalin commenced. The teachings of these two leaders of the international proletariat helped us on our way. The great Stalin helped us in every possible way as long as he was alive. The Khrushchevite revisionist traitors and all traitors of Marxism-Leninism in the world threw mud at him, but they cannot extinguish his name. J.V. Stalin, whose centenary we will celebrate this year, was a great Marxist-Leninist, a loyal disciple of Marx, Engels and Lenin; he was the teacher who gave the Albanian communists and the Albanian people light and might and contributed considerably to help the new Albania advance fearlessly and proudly and to defeat all enemies that would stand in their way.

The external and internal enemies, both overt and covert, were to stand in our way continually. The party knew how to unmask them one after another, to expose them and render harmless their plots against socialism and the country's freedom, because it was a party of the working class, a party that was a loyal disciple of Marxism-Leninism, a party that relied strongly on the broad masses of the people. Thus, without a Marxist-Leninist party with a well-defined program, without uniting the Albanian people in the struggle for the country's liberation as well as in the reconstruction of the country, victory would have been impossible. Only Albanian blood was shed to liberate this small country; only Albanian sweat poured to reconstruct it after the destruction of the war and to build socialism in this small country.

There are people who said, and who are still saying, that Albania lived owing to the aid of the Soviet Union and other formerly socialist countries, owing to the aid of the Titoites, when it is well known that the latter did not only not help us, but, on the contrary, plundered us as much as they could.

It is also said that Albania has allegedly lived owing to the aid of the Chinese. This is another lie. We accepted the credits they granted us, believing that we were dealing with Marxists-Leninists. However, they represent only a very small percentage of the investments carried out by our people. The pseudosocialist states that were exposed one after another--and an important role was played in this by the AWP--had imperialist intentions in granting us credits. But these hidden intentions were exposed by the party, which trumped the cards they were holding in their hands.

We owe nothing to anyone. The credits that we received have been settled. Only a few things remain to be returned. Let them therefore shut their mouths. Their aid had evil intentions. They sought to turn Albania into an instrument of theirs through their aid, to turn it into a neocolony. But they failed with us. The AWP has never betrayed its people and its ideology, Marxism-Leninism, and that is why it triumphed. The Titoites, the Chinese, the Eurocommunists and others have all betrayed Marxism-Leninism. They have become lackeys of the bourgeoisie. But regardless of all this, Marxism-Leninism is and will remain the invincible doctrine of the proletariat which will illuminate the path of millions upon millions of people who have risen and are rising in revolution to destroy the putrifying society of capitalism.

Albania is a small country and its people are also small in number. But their example is a great one because they are defending a great cause. Some people abroad may ask: Where are the Albanian people now finding this great spiritual, economic, cultural, and military might to confront the rapid onslaughts of capitalism and modern revisionism, U.S. imperialism, Soviet and Chinese social imperialism and so forth; to confront the hatred of the fascist dictatorships and external reaction, which are trying to hurt and destroy Albania? The Albanian people find this strength not in the support of some big power, but only in their own selves, in their patriotic and virile sentiments, in the Marxist-Leninist ideology, in the party's correct line, in their steel-like unity with the party, and in the support of the genuine communists and of the international proletariat and peoples of the world. It is precisely these factors that make Albania unafraid of anyone.

All honest and progressive peoples throughout the world see in Albania a living example of how a small people, surrounded by capitalism and the bourgeoisie, are standing firm, invincible and are building socialism by their own efforts. At a time when the great international crisis is gripping the capitalist, imperialist and social imperial countries, at a time when prices of all essential commodities for the livelihood of the people are rising, when millions of workers are thrown into the streets without work, our country is successfully building socialism, is flourishing and is developing a powerful industry, an advanced agriculture and a profoundly humane and pure culture. Our culture serves not only the country's progress, but is also making its contribution to the great treasures of world culture.

In our independent and sovereign country man lives in freedom and stretches his hand to no one. The Albanian has never stretched his hand to anyone. He has been capable of earning his daily bread honorably and by the sweat of his brow. Begging is not in our nature, but in the nature of those who have sold themselves out to capital. We have stretched our hand to others, for sincere friendship, but not for alms. Just as they were able to shed their blood in the past for the country's liberation, our people are also today able to pour out their sweat for the construction of socialism.

The earthquake that occurred several weeks ago was the strongest in living memory. Entire villages were destroyed. This considerable damage will be met by our own efforts. All the destroyed villages will be rebuilt, more beautiful than they were before, within 5 months. They will be new socialist villages. To express their gratitude to the party for its paternal solicitude, the peasants of those villages say: The party was among us even more quickly than our closest neighbors could arrive.

All Albania rose like one to overcome the great difficulties that were created. This has always happened and will always happen whenever it may be necessary. One for all and all for one. Thousands of people have gone and tens of thousands more have volunteered to go and work to eliminate the severe consequences of the earthquake for our brethren and sisters in the areas that were hit. On our roads and railroads one can see the endless convoys of trucks and trains transporting construction materials. The people affected by the misfortune in the north, in Shkoder, Lezhe, Mat, Mirdite, Kruje, Diber, Mirdite and Tropoje districts, lacked nothing from the very first day. People were sheltered in tents with lightning speed and they did not find themselves short of sugar and coffee, let alone bread, meat and vegetables, which were even more plentiful than before.

There are others who are begging for aid all over. For over 10 years now they have been unable to rebuild the villages and areas damaged by earthquakes. We are naturally sorry for the people who are suffering, because we know that such a situation has not arisen through their own fault, but because of the existing social and state system. In the socialist system all bad things are overcome unitedly and rapidly, whereas in the capitalist system man suffers not only in times of misery caused by natural disaster, but all through his life.

Our great organization of the Democratic Front has been, is and will be of great importance in the construction of socialism. The party that is leading and inspiring it equips the members of the Democratic Front with the great patriotic virtures of our people and the teachings of the Marxist-Leninist ideology. The AWP constantly works to make the Democratic Front strong and operative, s it has been all this time, that it may continue in the future the struggle to successfully implement the tasks set forth by the party for the construction of socialism in full, the preservation of the people's freedom and of the country's independence, that Albania may always remain a sovereign country, filled with dignity and respected by other peoples.

The party teaches the communists to be at all times in the vanguard of every effort and work, and to show initiative and selflessness in carrying out their tasks. Being members of the Albanian Democratic Front, they should be among the most vital militants, equipped with political maturity, modest in their attitude, filled with love for the people and closely associated with them. They must preserve the party's unity with the people and strengthen the Democratic Front and all other mass organizations which are the instruments of the party and which give vitality and strength to its great activity and thinking.

The more that the directives and problems raised by the party are discussed within the Democratic Front, the more criticism that is made against impermissible concessions and harmful vices that may exist or may emerge, against alien manifestations, liberalism and bureaucratism, the stronger and more stable will socialism in Albania be, and all the stronger will our country be.

That is why our party attaches such great importance to the Democratic Front. The Albanian Democratic Front has gone through many difficult historical states and has honorably fulfilled its great tasks. It will surely continue to be a great political organization of our people led by the AWP.

DELEGATES ARRIVE IN VLORE TO ATTEND CONGRESS

AU031948 [Editorial Report AU] Tirana Domestic Service in Albanian at 1826 GMT on 3 June carries a 6-minute report describing the arrival of delegates in Vlore to attend the Fifth Congress of the Albanian Democratic Front. A reporter on the scene says a meeting was held at Flag Square to welcome the delegates who were met by thousands of people from Vlore and cooperative peasants. The reporter does not mention the names of party-state leaders.

The reporter says that Sulejman Baholli, first secretary of the Vlore District party committee, greeted the delegates on behalf of the people of Vlore District, but gives no further details on Baholli's speech.

PARTY, STATE LEADERS LAY WREATHS AT MARTYRS GRAVES IN VLORE

AU031952 [Editorial Report AU] Tirana Domestic Service in Albanian at 1831 GMT on 3 June carries a 6-minute report on wreath-laying ceremonies at the graves of the martyrs of the national liberation struggle in Vlore. After the meeting held at Flag Square to welcome the delegates to the Fifth Congress of the Albanian Democratic Front, the announcer says that representatives of these delegates went to the graves of the martyrs of the national liberation struggle and laid wreaths in their memory. The announcer then goes on to say that "Enver Hoxha, first secretary of the AWP Central Committee; Haxhi Lleshi, chairman of the Presidium of the People's Assembly of the People's Socialist Republic of Albania; Mehmet Shehu, chairman of the Council of Ministers; and other party and state leaders arrived at the martyrs' graves at 1900." They were met by Sulejman Baholli, first secretary of the Vlore District party committee, and Bajram Arapi, chairman of the Executive Committee of the district people's council.

The announcer says that Comrade Enver Hoxha met and shook hands with youths, people from Vlore District and representatives of the delegates to the Fifth Congress of the Albanian Democratic Front. The band played funeral music and wreaths were laid at the plaque devoted to the memory of martyrs. "Comrades Enver Hoxha and Mehmet Shehu laid a wreath on behalf of the party Central Committee and Comrades Hysni Kapo and Ramiz Alia laid a wreath on behalf of the General Council of the Albanian Democratic Front." Wreaths were also laid on behalf of the delegates to the congress and of the Democratic Front council of Vlore District.

The announcer says that Comrade Enver Hoxha and other party-state leaders then went to the grave of Ismail Qemal, the brave old man who hoisted the national flag on 28 November 1912. Comrade Enver Hoxha was welcomed by many delegates and residents of Vlore city. Wreaths were laid at Ismail Qemal's grave.

The announcer goes on to say that Comrade Enver Hoxha and party-state leaders then went to the grave of the people's hero Avni Rustemi. Wreaths were also laid at the plaque here dedicated to the 1920 struggle of the Albanian people.

REPORTAGE ON PROCEEDINGS OF FIRST DAY OF CONGRESS 4 JUNE

Report on Morning Session

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[Text] Tirana, June 4 (ATA)--The Fifth Congress of the Democratic Front of Albania opened today in the hero city of Vlore, southern Albania, amidst a great enthusiasm.

The delegates and the invitees welcomed with prolonged applause and cheers the entrance into the hall of Comrade Enver Hoxha and the other party and state leaders.

Comrade Enver Hoxha, chairman of the General Council of the Democratic Front of Albania declared the congress open.

Comrade Ramiz Alia, vice chairman of the General Council of the Democratic Front of Albania delivered the report: "On the Activity of the General Council of the Democratic Front of Albania and the Tasks for the Future".

The congress is continuing its proceedings.

Hoxha Opening Speech

AU0411444 Tirana ATA in English 1020 GMT 4 Jun 79 AU

["Opening Speech of Comrade Enver Hoxha at the Fifth Congress of the Democratic Front of Albania"--ATA headline]

[Text] Tirana, June 4 (ATA)--Follows the text of the opening speech of Comrade Enver Hoxha at the 5th Congress of the Democratic Front of Albania.

Dear comrades,

We are assembled here, in the beautiful and heroic city of the Vlore of Ismail Qemali, among its courageous and generous people, who fought heroically in 1920 and during the national liberation war, to hold the proceedings of the 5th Congress of the Democratic Front of Albania. You have come to Vlore from all over the homeland to bring the desires, thoughts and opinions of the workers, cooperativists and intellectuals, of the women and the young people, and to discuss the great problems and duties facing our people today. Together we will discuss how to further strengthen our beloved Albania, how to make the steel-like unity of our people even stronger, how to make their life happier and more joyful, how to further enliven the life and activity of our organization of the Democratic Front. I am sure that you, comrade delegates, will entirely fulfill the wishes and instructions which the people have expressed and given you, when they elected you to come to this congress.

Today, in this congress the following members of the General Council are no longer amongst us: Gogo Nushi, Zylyftar Veleshnja, Persefoni Dervishi, Bulo Lutaj, Subi Bakiri, Qazim Baftjari, Aishe Doci, Qibrie Ciu, Ismail Geci, Bilbil Klosi, Vasil Ziu, Kristaq Antoniu, Avdi Muldsmani, Kico Glozheni, who, during their whole life have fought and worked with endless devotion for the cause of the party, the freedom and independence of the homeland, for the strengthening of the unity of our people in the Democratic Front of Albania.

I invite you, comrade delegates, to honour with one minute silence, their outstanding and unforgettable memory.

The Democratic Front is a fighting organization which, under the leadership of the party, unites the entire Albanian people, which organises and mobilizes the working people in the struggle for the defence of the freedom and indpendence won with bloodshed and sacrifice, which works tirelessly for the construction of the new socialist life and for the education of the broad masses with boundless love for the homeland, with the ideals of socialism and communism.

The Democratic Front is the bearer of the outstanding freedom-loving traditions of our people. It is the continuer of the magnificent efforts of the progressive Albanian patriots and democrats, of all times, for the unity of the people in the struggle for a free Albania, for the preservation of the unity of the nation against the efforts of the imperialist and chauvinist powers, which aimed at partitioning the country, for a better life and social justice, for the defence of our mother tongue and our ancient culture.

The Communist Party elevated and further enriched these traditions and ideals of our people, when, in the flames of the heroic partisan war, it created the anti-fascist National Liberation Front.

With this organization, the party realised the most powerful unity in the history of our people, unprecedented in its breadth, in the strength of its organization and lofty political consciousness. The struggle against the foreign occupiers and the traitors to the country strengthened and tempered the unity of the people, and made it a decisive factor for the historic victory of the 29th November, 1944.

It was this unity of the people around the party, which was elevated to a new and higher level in the struggle for the socialist transformation of Albania, against which all the plots and numerous attacks of the imperialists and revisionists have been smashed, against which the counterrevolutionary efforts of the internal enemies have been destroyed and smashed to smithereens. It was this unity which makes Socialist Albania unbreakable and indomitable, which enables it to stand proudly and advance free and independent on the road of socialism.

This lofty unity and solidarity of the people once again showed its vitality and strength, when our entire people immediately sprang to their feet to come to the assistance of their brothers and sisters affected by the heavy earthquake of April 15.

From this high tribune of the 5th Congress of the Democratic Front of Albania we express, on behalf of the Democratic Front, the party, the entire people and all the delegates, our deepest sympathy to the families of the victims for the loss and sorrow this grave natural calamity caused them.

We admire the courage and heroism of all those, who, despite the great damage they suffered from the earthquake, neither lost heart, nor despaired. We admire the great (?and) unshaken trust they have in their beloved party and people's power.

From this congress, we address our greetings to all the volunteers from all over Albania who are selflessly working day and night for the re-construction of the destroyed houses and villages, to carry into effect the word of the party that within October 1, everything will be rebuilt and made more beautiful than before.

The congress of the Democratic Front is being convened at a time when our people have mobilized their forces and have gone all out to realize the historic decisions of the 5th congress of the party, to carry into practice the magnificent program of the complete construction of socialist society. It is being summoned in the jubilee year of the 35th anniversary of the liberation of the country and the establishment of the people's power, this great victory of the glorious national-liberation struggle led by our heroic party. May this remarkable anniversary serve for the further strengthening and progress of our beloved homeland, our Socialist Albania.

Our congress, with its proceedings and decisions, will, for certain, give a new and powerful impulse to the work of the front for the mobilization of the working people in the struggle for the realization of the state plan, the further promotion of production, the development of culture and further raising of the wellbeing.

The proceedings of this congress will serve the organizations of the front to intensify their work for the patriotic and revolutionary education of the masses. Waging the class struggle always correctly as the party teaches us, let us strengthen still more the unity of the people and its ties with the party, let us enhance still more the vigilance, increase the readiness and ability of the people for the defence of the homeland.

It is a special pleasure for me to bring you, comrade delegates, the ardent greetings of the Central Committee of the party and, on its behalf, with [as received] the 5th Congress of the Democratic Front to successfully accomplish the high and important mission entrusted to it.

I declare the congress open.

Alia Report on General Council Activities

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[Summary of the report 'On the Activity of the General Council of the Democratic Front of Albania and the Tasks for the Future' delivered by Comrade Ramiz Alia at the Fifth Congress of the Democratic Front of Albania"--ATA headline]

[Text] Tirana, June 4 (ATA)--Follows a summary of the report "On the Activity of the General Council of the Democratic Front of Albania and the Tasks for the Future", delivered by Comrade Ramiz Alia, vice-chairman of the General Council of the Democratic Front of Albania at the 5th Congress of the Democratic Front of Albania.

Socialist Albania Is Sure of Her Future and There Is No Force on Earth Which Can Kneel and Subdue It

The historic burden and the great honour, said Comrade Ramiz Alia, of realizing the unity of the Albanian people in the glorious national-liberation struggle fell upon the Democratic Front, which was founded by the Communist Party of Albania upon the initiative and direct care of Comrade Enver Hoxha. It fully justified the trust and hopes of the people and assisted the party in the legendary epic of the liberation of Albania and the establishment of the people's power. Since the day of its founding, under the leadership of the party, the Democratic Front has been at the centre of the great political battles of the new Albania, of the economic and social transformations which have taken place in our country, the efforts to defend the victories of the people's revolution and construct socialism. Such is the Democratic Front also today, when the party calls on us to work and fight with determination so that our homeland may progress and thrive uninterruptedly, that the banner of socialism always flutter proud and invincible in Albania.

The line of the party for the creation of the Democratic Front, its great role for the strengthening of the unity and mobilisation of our people in the struggle for the defense of the freedom of the homeland and the construction of socialism, is once again explained and argued from [a] Marxist-Leninist viewpoint by Comrade Enver Hoxha in an article published in the newspaper BASHKIMI yesterday.

Our congress is convened in a sound political and ideological situation, at a time when Albania enjoys an unalterable economic stability, an invincible defence and a strong international position.

What characterizes our people, he continued, is the powerful unity of the friendly classes and strata of which they are made up and the steel-like and unbreakable unity round the party which guides them. It is this great political and ideological unity, this unity of interests and aims, which makes Socialist Albania stand unflinching and proud in the world today--which is fraught with so many dangers and threats--build socialism with success, ensure the prosperity and wellbeing of her people.

Albania is confident in her future, because the people are the masters of their fates, because they have in their hands the power which grew from the flames of the national liberation struggle and was tempered and consolidated in the great battles for the construction of socialism. [paragraph continues]

The people's power has been and remains a powerful weapon in the hands of the people for the construction of the new life and the strengthening of the homeland. Its iron fist has forcefully and mercilessly smashed the interferences and plots of the internal and external enemies, who have sought to wrest the victories of the revolution from us, to turn our people backward to capitalist and imperialist slavery.

The strength of the unity of the people round the party and its line, the stability and strength of the people's power, the vitality of our socialist economy were once more expressed in our successful overcoming of the heavy pressures and the anti-Albanian activity of the Chinese revisionist leadership, just as they were manifested years ago when we smashed the interferences and plots of the Soviet revisionists.

This unity and this determined stand prove once more that there is no force which can bring Socialist Albania to its knees and subdue it. At the same time they constitute a warning for everyone who may hope and dream that through pressure and deception we can force our party and people to change their road, abandon the struggle against imperialism and revisionism, renounce the defence of Marxism-Leninism and the principles of proletarian internationalism.

The consistent stand of the Party of Labour of Albania in defence of the cause of the revolution, socialism and the liberation of the peoples has been expressed in a clear-cut, convincing and substantiated manner in all the line and struggle of the party, in the teachings of Comrade Enver Hoxha and, in particular, in his outstanding Marxist-Leninist work "Imperialism and the Revolution". In this work, Comrade Enver Hoxha has made a profound analysis of the present-day capitalist society and its contradictions, has exposed the global strategy of the imperialist powers and their warmongering plans, has uncovered the betrayal and the counter-revolutionary character of the various trends of modern revisionism, from Titoism and Khrushchevism to Mao Zedong Thought and has scientifically substantiated the inevitability of the triumph of the revolution. This work is a powerful weapon in the hands of the party and our people in their struggle in defence of Marxism-Leninism, against the enemies of the revolution.

The international position of our country today is stronger than ever. Albania enjoys respect and sympathy in many progressive countries and has won friends and well-wishers throughout the world.

This year our people will celebrate a glorious jubilee, the 35th anniversary of the liberation of the homeland and of the triumph of the people's revolution. From the heights of 35 years, which have gone by since that great day when, under the leadership of the party, our insurgent people, the heroic National Liberation Army with the General Commander Comrade Enver Hoxha at the head, liberated the whole of the country from the foreign occupiers and local traitors, we see even better the brilliant victories we have achieved and the splendid perspective which lies in store for us.

Albania Has an Unalterable Economic Stability and Is Characterized by Uninterrupted Progress. Albania Does Not Know Taxes and Unemployment, Price Rises and Inflation

Further on, speaking about the role of the Democratic Front as a powerful lever and an active aide of the party in the struggle for the realisation of the state plans, for the development of the national economy, Comrade Ramiz Alia stressed that the struggle to promote production has been and remains one of the most important tasks also for the Democratic Front in the present-day conditions.

Our people have the right to be proud when they see that the sweat they have shed, the mobilization of their physical and mental energies over these post-liberation years, have enabled them to radically change the face of the homeland, to set up all those industrial and agricultural objects, to develop a broad educational network of all levels involving the entire population, to spread culture extensively, to strengthen the health of the masses and radically improve their way of living.

At a time when the capitalist and revisionist countries are in the grip of contradictions and involved in a deep crisis, which is shaking them from their foundations, Albania enjoys an unalterable economic stability and is characterized by uninterrupted progress. Albania is the country where the people do not know taxes, the country which does not know unemployment, crisis, price rises and inflation.

In 1978 overall industrial production was 4.6 times higher than in 1960. If we consider the development of some particular branches, we will see that electric power industry, at the end of last year, as compared with 1960 had increased 12.5 times, copper industry 24 times, engineering industry 19 times, chemical industry 49 times, light industry 3.7 times, chromium extraction 3.5 times, coal extraction 4 times over and so on and so forth. 1978 is the third successive year that our agriculture produces all the grain necessary for the bread of the people and the needs of industry.

The determination of our people to achieve the targets set by the party is best proved also by the self-denying work of the workers and specialists and cadres, who with courage took upon themselves and succeeded in completing and commissioning the projects envisaged by the sixth five-year plan, projects which were left incomplete and intentionally sabotaged by the Chinese revisionists. To our workers and specialists goes the credit that the "Steel of the Party" metallurgical combine at Elbasan and the giant "Light of the Party" hydropower station in Fierze were commissioned for work, that the deep oil processing plant at Ballsh, the "Enver Hoxha" automobile and tractor combine in Tirana, the PVC [polyvinyl chloride] factory in Vlore, the plastic materials factory in Lushnje, the coal mine in Valias, the ferro-chromium plant in Burrel, etc. were put into operation.

Today, our country is in a position to ensure with its own forces the maintenance of machinery and equipment, to produce complete production lines and factories, mineral and oil rigs, lathes and looms, agricultural machines and various means of transport, etc. In this way, Albania is embarking on the road of machine building industry. This is a great victory for the policy of the party for the industrialisation of the country, for the transformation of Albania into an industrial-agricultural country. This will make the political and economic independence of the country, the sovereignty and defence of our free homeland even more invincible and inviolable.

The state plans, Comrade Ramiz Alia stressed further on, materialize the policy of the party for the development of the economy and culture, the strengthening of the state of the dictatorship of the proletariat and our socialist order, the raising of the wellbeing of the people and the increase of the defense potential of the country. Therefore, the fulfillment of the planned tasks is the main indicator of all our work, of the levers of the party, the organisation of the front.

Then Comrade Ramiz Alia dwelt on the tasks arising for the achievement of the targets set by the 7th congress of the party for the fast rate development of all the national economy and, in particular, for the development with rapid rates of the extracting and processing industry, for the increase of the production of oil and gas, the expansion of engineering industry and the increase of export.

Great prospects, said Comrade Ramiz Alia, have been opened up at present to agriculture and the all-round progress of our socialist village.

The correct policy of the party, the collectivization of agriculture, socialism, have created those wonderful conditions for the modernization of agriculture and its colossal progress, have enabled it to get in those high yields which enthuse us, have made our village even more beautiful, have transformed the life of the peasantry and made it happier with each passing day.

During the years of people's power, the arable land has more than doubled, the area under irrigation has increased over 12 times, work processes and services have been extensively mechanized, and chemical fertilizers and selected seed are being employed extensively. All this, and moreover, the great and selfless work of the cooperativists peasantry, have made possible the increase of agricultural and livestock productivity from year to year. As compared with 1960, we have the following increase in productivity per hectare: wheat 3.7 times, maize 4.2 times, sugar beet 2.7 times, milk 2.6 times per cow, etc.

Colossal transformations have been made in the material and spiritual life of our peasantry, thousand upon thousand of new comfortable houses have been built in our villages, electric light has entered everywhere, schools, cultural and health institutions have been opened in the most remote corners of the country. Most of the villages are linked by motor road, and the press, book, radio and television have extensively entered the peasants' families. A broad network of trade and communal service has been extended to all the areas.

Basing on this impetuous development of agriculture, on the material and technical base already existing in the countryside, on the great abilities of the cadres and specialists, the vast experience of the cooperativists and their patriotic spirit, the party now has set even greater tasks to agriculture.

Through Its Example and Struggle for the Construction of Socialism on a Self-Reliant Basis, Albania Refutes the Bourgeois-Revisionist Preachings that No Country Can Survive Without the Aid of the Big Imperialist and Social-Imperialist Powers

In all its work and struggle for the development of the economy, for the construction of socialism and the defence of the homeland, said Comrade Ramiz Alia, the Party of Labour of Albania has firmly adhered to the revolutionary Marxist-Leninist principle of self-reliance.

The enemies consider our party's and our people's confidence and conviction that Albania can advance forward self-reliantly and build with success socialism a subjective desire. The opponents of socialism and the enemies of Albania may think whatever they like, indulge in day dreaming and entertain their illusions.

The Party of Labour of Albania, our people's power, the Democratic Front have never been guided by subjective desires, they have always been realist, they have based and base every action, every plan of theirs on the objective reality, the concrete development, the possibilities created.

There exists in Albania today an all-round developed socialist economy, which guarantees the fulfillment of the ever growing demands of the population. Our economy today has all the possibilities to cover the necessary imports through its exports, to guarantee extended socialist reproduction through internal accumulation. Without being in need of receiving any foreign economic aid, Socialist Albania is fully capable of maintaining high rates of economic and cultural development, constantly raising the standard of living of its people and guaranteeing the defence potential of the homeland in any situation.

Today it is more obvious than ever how right the Party of Labour of Albania was to combat the aims of the Yugoslav, Soviet and Chinese revisionists, who, furthering their own interests, have tried to keep Albania in the state of a country producing raw materials and dependent on them for the bread of its people, to hinder the development of our heavy and processing industry, the setting up of our metallurgy, production of our oil, the construction of our hydropower stations, etc.

Through its example and struggle for the construction of socialism with its own forces, Albania refutes the bourgeois-revisionist preachings that no state can survive without aid from the big imperialist and social-imperialist powers, without incurring debts to the others. "A true socialist country," Comrade Enver Hoxha says in his work "Imperialism and Revolution", "has no need to incur such debts. It finds the resources for its economic development at home, in its wealth, in its internal accumulation and in the creative force of the people. The example of Albania, a small country, shows very clearly what inexhaustible means, resources and capacities a socialist country has for its development. And the means and resources of a big country are much greater still, if it marches consistently on the road of Marxism-Leninism.

The Unity of the People Around the Party Constitutes the Permanent Factor of the Strength and Stability of our Socialist Order

The main political task of the Democratic Front, Comrade Ramiz Alia went on, has been and is the preservation and defence of the unity of the people.

The Democratic Front was created as an historic necessity for ensuring the great unity of the Albanian people in those difficult years of fascist occupation when their very existence as a people and as a nation was under threat. History shows that whenever the Albanians found themselves in difficulty, threatened by foreign aggressors, whenever they had to cope with the attempts of the enemies to invade or partition their homeland, they have always sought their salvation and a way out in their own unity.

But true unity, unprecedented heretofore in its breadth and cohesion, was achieved only during the years of the anti-fascist partisan war, when our people, the working masses, the honest men and women united in the anti-fascist National Liberation Front under the slogans of the struggle for freedom, democracy and people's power.

The National Liberation Front in Albania was neither a coalition of parties, nor a union of chiefs, but a broad organization of the masses, which was created by the communist party and acted under its leadership. Right from the start it gave the front a militant and revolutionary character, made it not only a militant political organization, but also the carrier of the new people's power which was rising through struggle on the ruins of the old state power. The foundation of the front was constituted by the alliance of the working class with the peasantry which, as Comrade Enver Hoxha has said, was the hub and key to the victory in the National Liberation War.

The unity of our people was raised to a higher degree and placed on new and more stable foundations with the abolition of the private ownership and the elimination of the exploiting classes, with the construction of the economic base of socialism. This new unity, which was created on the basis of the common interests and ideals of the working class, the labouring peasantry and the people's intelligentsia, was not only a political unity, but also a social and economic unity. This is a new characteristic of our socialist society.

With its unity, said Comrade Ramiz Alia, our society marks a great contrast against the turbulent and chaotic bourgeois and revisionist world which is split by all kinds of class and national, religious and racial antagonisms. The reality of Albania proves that only the revolution and socialism can create a free, united and monolithic society. Marxism-Leninism, the revolutionary doctrine of the proletariat, constitutes the ideological basis of the unity of our people. All the magnificent historic victories which we have achieved under the leadership of the party are closely linked with this ideology, which has inspired and is inspiring us on our socialist road. [paragraph continues]

These are the reasons why the defense of Marxism-Leninism is the concern of the whole people, these are the reasons why the Democratic Front has supported the line and stand of the party and is actively participating in the struggle which it is waging against revisionism and opportunism. This struggle is of vital importance not only for the cause of the revolution and socialism in general, but for the of our country [as received], the freedom and independence of the homeland, the socialist order in Albania, too. The unity of the people, the party teaches us, is increasing and growing stronger in the process of a stern and ceaseless class struggle against the internal and external enemies, who have not and will never renounce their counterrevolutionary aims against Socialist Albania.

The spirit of unity, collectivity and sincere love for one another and of socialist solidarity, stressed the speaker further on, is manifested every day in all the major and minor events of our country. These lofty qualities and this sound revolutionary spirit were once more brilliantly and mangificently manifested, when the whole people rose to their feet to assist the population in the districts of Shkodra and Lezha and to voluntarily contribute to the elimination of the grave consequences of the earthquake.

The banner of the front has always been and is the banner of the unity of the people to secure and defend the freedom and independence of the homeland, to preserve and consolidate the victories of the people's revolution. The organisations of the front have worked tirelessly and have led the efforts for the education of the masses with a spirit of political vigilance and fighting readiness. They have made an outstanding contribution to the work to make the directives of the party, such as, "The Defence of the Homeland, The Duty Above all Duties", "The Homeland Is Defended by the Entire Armed People", be understood and implemented.

The Democratic Front--a Hearth of Revolutionary Education and a Major Tribune of the Voice of the Masses

Further on, Comrade Ramiz Alia spoke about the tasks which the Democratic Front has had and has for the all-sided education of the working people.

Today, he said, the education and cultural level of the people, the ideo-political formation of the masses and the technical-professional abilities of the working people have risen a great deal. Suffice it to mention the fact that in Albania today, about 722,000 people attend different schools, that about 260,000 people have graduated from secondary and higher schools while the entire junior population of the country has completed 8 year schooling. The publication of books, newspapers and journals has reached high figures. The annual number of copies of books published has reached 11 million. Important steps forward have been made in improving the mode of living, in the introduction of new socialist norms in the social relations, in the enhancement of cultured work and behaviour. All this has made the spiritual life of our people richer, even more varied, more joyful.

One of the main direction of the work of the Democratic Front, continued the orator, is the education of the masses of the people with love for the homeland and our socialist order, their patriotic education.

The patriotism of our people has always been one of the most typical features and one of the bases of their strength. This has been formed in the protracted centuries-long struggle of our people for the liberation of the homeland from foreign domination and enslavement, in the struggle to preserve their language, culture and traditions, for the affirmation and recognition of the Albanian nation; it was formed in the struggle against foreign chauvinism, against the efforts of others to negate the identity and individuality of our nation, the very existence of the Albanian people.

Albanian patriotism has been the guiding idea of the most progressive, democratic and outstanding people of this country, who fought against enslavement, division and backwardness which the foreigners had brought, for an Albania which would not only be free, independent and soverign, but also progressive and democratic. In view of the historic conditions in which it has been created, of the ideals with which it has been imbued, Albanian patriotism was never blemished or distorted by chauvinist, nationalist-bourgeois, hegemonic feelings, which have dominated and continue to dominate in many countries.

With the national liberation war and the construction of socialism, Albanian patriotism was put on a new footing, it was enriched with a new content and became a mighty motive force in our society. Being inspired by Marxism-Leninism and principles of proletarian internationalism, our socialist patriotism has a profoundly progressive and revolutionary character.

Further on, Comrade Ramiz Alia spoke about the broad educating work which the organisations of the front carry out in other directions such as in regard to the struggle for the emancipation of the woman, for the establishment of norms of the new morality, the socialist mode of life, etc.

Among other things, he stressed that the emancipation of the woman represents a genuine revolution. The woman of Socialist Albania has been liberated from all the economic, social and family chains, from all the laws of backward customs and religion. She has won the place she deserves in society as a free and equal citizen; her dignity and personality have been greatly enhanced as well as the respect of society for her as a mother and active fighter for the construction of socialism and the defence of the homeland. Today, the Albanian woman is an educated and cultured woman, with a high political and ideological level; she constitutes a great and decisive force in the entire development of the country.

Today in Albania, under the care and leadership of the party, continued Comrade Ramiz Alia further on, a wealth of cultural and artistic values have been created. Artistic literature, cinematography, music, painting, architecture, etc. have progressed beyond all comparison with the past. There has been outstanding development and extension especially of popular creativeness and the amateur artistic movement, music, the beautiful songs and dances of the people, all the genres of our rich folklore. These new values of a sound socialist content and high artistic level have become the daily spiritual nourishment for the masses of the working people. We also rejoice over the fact that they have also begun to go beyond the borders of the country, and are now appreciated and esteemed by the progressive world abroad.

The militant, popular and socialist character of our culture makes it a powerful weapon in the solution of one of the fundamental problems of socialism: the formation and tempering of the new man. This is a new and magnificent mission here-to-fore unknown to Albanian culture.

Serving the revolutionary education of the masses, our socialist culture opposes with determination the poisonous reactionary and decadent bourgeois and revisionist culture. It takes an active part in the struggle waged by our people against foreign ideological and cultural aggression, which is a weapon in the strategy of the imperialist powers for the enslavement of the peoples. The contribution our culture makes to opposing this aggression is an inseparable part of the glorious struggle the party and our country are waging against the bourgeois-revisionist encirclement, for the defence of the freedom and independence of the homeland, for the construction of socialism.

With its reality and flourishing, our socialist culture gives a vivid example of how the true national and democratic culture of the peoples can be defended and developed, how the pressure and destructive influence of decadent imperialist and revisionist culture can be withstood and fought against.

The Democratic Front--the Greatest Tribune of the Voice of the Masses

The great tasks set and the historic decisions taken by the 7th congress of the party, Comrade Ramiz Alia stressed, cannot be implemented without the active and conscious participation of the masses. In this respect, the role of the Democratic Front, as the broadest mass organisation which unites in its ranks all the working people, is great and decisive. Our Democratic Front is not only a powerful lever to carry the line of the party to the masses for educating them with its ideology, with the spirit of socialist patriotism, but also the greatest tribune of the voice of the masses. It fights for increasing the participation of the masses in the running of the country, in the solution of social and state problems. This is one of the most vivid expressions and one of the most important mechanisms of our socialist democracy, which, as Comrade Enver Hoxha pointed out at the meeting of the General Council of the Democratic Front of Albania, is the most complete and genuine democracy for the broad working masses, a democracy proclaimed not only in words, but implemented in deeds.

The Democratic Front has to play an all-round role for the implementation of socialist democracy.

At all the Stages, the Leadership of the Party Has Been the Source of Strength and Successes of the Democratic Front

In all its work and great struggle, said Comrade Ramiz Alia, the Democratic Front is guided by the Party of Labour of Albania, its ideology, policy, orientations and decisions. The policy pursued by the front is the policy of the party and our socialist state, therefore the front fully supports it and strives with all its forces for its implementation.

Our party and socialist state work and fight for the construction of socialism, of a free and democratic society, where everything is done in the name of the working people, in their interest and with their direct participation. This is why the objectives and aims of the Democratic Front are in complete unity with the policy of our Party of Labour and the state of the dictatorship of the proletariat.

At all the stages, the leadership of the party has been the source of strength and successes of the Democratic Front. Therefore, let us preserve and constantly strengthen this leadership at every step of the activity of the front, because it is the guarantee for all the future successes.

The International Situation Is Becoming Ever More Complicated Due to the Intensification of the Policy of Military, Economic and Ideological Aggression of the Imperialist Superpowers

Speaking about the international situation, Comrade Ramiz Alia said: Our struggle for the successful construction of socialism is waged in an international situation which is becoming ever more complicated due to the intensification of the policy of military, economic and ideological aggression of the imperialist superpowers. This policy, to this or that degree, affects all the countries of the world, threatens and endangers all the peoples. The arrogance and brutality with which the big imperialist powers interfere in the internal affairs of the other peoples and states, are unprecedented in history.

Today the world is witnessing the unexampled intensification of the efforts of the superpowers and the other neocolonialist states to plunder the national assets of the peoples and to exploit to the bone the working people of the dependent countries of those linked with them. The profit the superpowers and the developed capitalist countries are making from the plunder of oil and other raw materials of the Arab countries, of the countries of Africa, Asia, and Latin America, is incalculable. Through the predatory mechanism of loans, credits, "aid", etc, most of the countries of the world have become debtors to world imperialism and capitalism, which skin them not only to the bone, but to the marrow, too.

The policy of interference in the internal affairs, of plunder of the assets of the peoples, the policy of arbitrariness and dictate carried out by the imperialist powers towards the other countries is accompanied with all-round ideological and cultural aggression. In order to make it easier for itself to interfere for the enslavement of the peoples, international imperialism is seeking to liquidate their national identity, to bemuse them ideologically and cause their political degeneration. The export of culture and foreign way of living, apoliticism and cosmopolitanism, are the favourite means of imperialism in its efforts to deprive the peoples of their freedom and independence.

The armaments race, which is the most concrete expression of the preparations for predatory wars, has assumed unprecedented proportions. In the national wealth and social product gobbled up and spent for the armaments race and war preparations, the anti-social and inhuman character of the imperialist system, its criminal nature, are ever more clearly revealed.

No demagogy or deceit of the superpowers can conceal this unrestrained armaments race and the great danger deriving from it. This can be hidden neither by the endless meetings of the so-called disarmament commissions and committees, nor by the treaties for the limitation of strategic weapons. The agreements reached between the U.S. imperialists and the Soviet social imperialists, like the latest SALT-2 agreement, aim not only to establish a kind of equilibirum and put the two superpowers on an equal footing in the armaments race, but also to preserve their superiority over the others and to enable them to exert their blackmail and dictate over the peoples.

The expansionst and aggressive policy of the superpowers, the speaker said, has greatly increased the tension in the international relations and still more aggravated the threats and dangers to the freedom and independence of the peoples. The imperialist superpowers, the United States of America, the Soviet Union and China, with their aggressive and hegemonic policy, with their armaments race and fierce rivalry, are heading for new imperialist conflicts and wars. Under these conditions all the peoples of the world face a great duty of historic importance for the destinies of mankind: to raise their vigilance and fight to foil the warmongering plans of the imperialist powers.

The working class and the peoples of the world are ever better realising that the policy now pursued by international imperialism and capitalism gravely affects their vital interests, that it is intended at intensifying social and national exploitation and oppression.

Despite the attempts of the reformist trade unions, which are in service of the bourgeoisie, to hold up the revolutionary drive of the working masses, unceasing manifestations, protests and strikes have become a daily occurrence in all the capitalist countries. The same phenomena are noticed also in the revisionist countries. Frequent government crises and parliamentary elections, before their time, which are now taking place in most countries of Western Europe, are an expression of the broad class struggle. The crisis which has in its grip all the structures and superstructures of the bourgeois society and which is continuing for years now, has ever more revealed and aggravated the old wounds of capitalism and added new ones to it.

Under these difficult crisis situations, the social democracy and the revisionists, who try to hold up the revolutionary drive of the working people, to bemuse the masses, to divert them from the class struggle and the revolution, are rendering a very great service to the bourgeoisie. This is why the revolutionary forces and the Marxist-Leninist parties are fighting with the same determination and spirit of principle both against the bourgeoisie and imperialism, as well as against social-democrat and revisionist opportunism.

Peace in the Middle East Cannot Be Established Either According to the Plans of U.S. Imperialism, According to the Schemes of Soviet Social-Imperialism, or Through Concessions to and Retreat Before Israel

Facts go to show, said Comrade Ramiz Alia, that when the peoples grow conscious and decide to fight through to the end against imperialism, for freedom and independence, their victory is unavoidable. The events in Iran, to mention only a fresh example, prove this definitely. In appearance, the regime of the shah seemed unshakeable. It enjoyed the all-round support of American imperialism and was considered the pillar in the defence of the interests of the United States of America in the Middle East area, the gendarme of the multinational oil companies in that region. But in front of the unshakeable drive of the insurgent people, at the head of whom were the oil workers, it caved in like a castle of straw.

It is this defeat which U.S. imperialism suffered in Iran that explains its efforts to recruit new gendarmes to guard the oil fields and routes. It [is] the fear of the Iranian example which forced Carter to resort to all means to activate the Egyptian-Israeli talks which resulted in the separate treaty between Israel and Egypt.

The Arab peoples and the progressive world have considered this treaty a heavy blow at the cause of the liberation of the occupied Arab territories and, in particular, the vital interests of the Palestinian people, an assistance given in difficult moments to U.S. imperialism and its tool, Israel, to dominate over the Middle East.

Our view has been and is that peace in the Middle East cannot be established either according to the plans of U.S. imperialism, or according to the schemes of Soviet social-imperialism, or through concessions to and retreat before Israel. A just and true peace will be established only then when Israel is forced to abandon its aggressive and expansionist policy, when it is compelled to return to the Arabs and Palestinians what it has wrested from them, when the imperialists and the social-imperialists are expelled from the Middle East area, when the Arab peoples have become the full and sovereign masters in their countries.

The Dangerous and Threatening Situation in the Far East Is the Result of the Barbarous Aggression of the Chinese Social Imperialists Against Vietnam as Well as of the Intrigues and Interferences of the U.S. Imperialists and Soviet Social Imperialists

Recently, the speaker said further on, the attention of the peoples has also been drawn by the dangerous and threatening situation created in the Far East as a result of the barbarous aggression of the Chinese social imperialists against Vietnam, as well as the intrigues and interferences of the U.S. imperialists and Soviet social imperialists in that region. Aggressions such as that now committed by China have been perpetrated by others, too, the U.S. imperialists in Korea and Vietnam, the Soviet social imperialists in Czechoslovakia and elsewhere. But such public statements as those the Chinese leaders have made and are making to the effect that "Vietnam must be punished", that "Vietnam must be taught a lesson", were not heard since the time of the fascist gatherings in Munich or the speeches of the Duce in Piazza Venezia.

The cynicism of the words of the Chinese leaders and the atrocity of their actions are not accidental. By unleashing their open aggression against Vietnam, the Chinese social imperialists quite clearly revealed that they are guided by the aggressive ideology of the superpowers, by the old Chinese great power chauvinism, by the motives of occupation of the militarist caste, by the predatory bourgeois thirst for quick profits.

Ever since the 7th congress, when our party publicly criticized the "theory of three worlds", as a reactionary and counterrevolutionary theory, and particularly in the book, "Imperialism and the Revolution", Comrade Enver Hoxha has pointed out that the ambitions and efforts of China to become a superpower, the anti-Marxist and chauvinist ideology of Mao Zedong Thought, on which Chinese strategy and foreign policy are based, would inevitably lead it to dangerous friction and conflict, to wars of a local character but which could also assume world proportions.

The military, political and moral defeat which social imperialist China suffered in Vietnam as well as the defeats which the American and Soviet imperialists have suffered on other occasions, are meaningful for all. The leaders of Beijing, Washington, Moscow and every other aggressor must understand that today is the time of proletarian revolutions and liberation struggles of the peoples, the time of decolonialisation, the time of the emancipation of mankind. Whoever tries to curb this irresistible trend of history, whoever tires to occupy other countries, to colonize or enslave the peoples, is destined to be severely punished. This is the lesson of history.

The Foreign Policy of our State Is a Principled, Consistent, Open and Sincere Policy

The foreign policy of our state, continues Comrade Ramiz Alia, worked out by the party of Labour of Albania, is, as Comrade Enver Hoxha stresses, a principled, consistent, open and sincere policy. This is a policy in the service of the strengthening of the freedom and independence of the homeland, of the preservation and consolidation of the victories which [we] have achieved on the road of socialism, of the guaranteeing of our communist future, a policy which aids the cause of the revolution and the liberation of the peoples. The Democratic Front of Albania has always powerfully supported and supports this policy.

Socialist Albania, led by its Party of Labour, has been and remains a determined opponent of imperialism and the international bourgeoisie, of all the reactionary forces the world over. The Albanian party and people have always considered and consider irreconcilable struggle against American imperialism, Soviet social imperialism, Chinese social imperialism and all the other imperialisms, as a fundamental condition for the preservation of the freedom and independence of their own country and as a necessity to perform their internationalist duty towards the universal cause of the revolution.

Our country has powerfully supported the revolutionary and liberation struggles of the peoples against imperialism and every foreign yoke. The Albanian people consider aid for the proletariat, for the Marxist-Leninist parties and all the progressive forces in the struggle which they are waging for freedom and socialism, as a duty of first rate importance. They have always expressed their solidarity for all those who are fighting against racial discrimination, against fascism, for democracy and progress.

While defending the lofty interests of the homeland, the foreign policy of our state favours friendship with the peoples, normal relations with all the countries which do not entertain hostile aims towards us. In particular, our people want to live in relations of good neighbourliness with all the states of the Balkan and Adriatic region. Socialist Albania adheres to the correct view that the establishment of relations of good neighbourliness, friendship and the strengthening of the security of the Balkan peoples demand the blocking of the interference of the imperialist and social imperialist powers in our peninsula, opposition to their intrigues and plots against the Balkan peoples and the security in this region in general.

In relations with states which have a different social system from ours, Albania adheres rigorously to the principles of equality, respect for sovereignty, non-interference and mutual benefit. But this does not in the least exclude the ideological struggle, the criticism and exposure of the opponents to Marxism-Leninism, the struggle against the bourgeois, revisionist and other ideologies. This stand is an expression of the political, economic and ideological independence of our party and state, which constitute a single entity, which must be defended at all times and in every situation.

It is this line, this policy, it is the struggle which our party has waged and is waging against imperialism and social imperialism, against revisionism and reaction, it is the support which our country accords the struggles of the peoples, it is the correct stand maintained towards the key problems of present-day international life which make our foreign policy a policy to be respected, supported and backed among the progressive forces and the broad strata of world public opinion.

The correct policy of the Party of Labour of Albania and the Albanian state, the successes which our country has achieved in the construction of socialism, its name and prestige in the world rejoice and enthuse all the patriotic Albanians wherever they are, all our compatriots, who, as an integral part of our heroic people, have fought and made sacrifices to enable their homeland to live free, united, happy and honoured.

In conclusion, Comrade Ramiz Alia said: In the proceedings and decisions of our congress, the organization of the Democratic Front will find a new source of inspiration to raise its revolutionary and patriotic work and struggle to a higher level for the even greater and more powerful unity of the people around the party, for their more organised and energetic mobilization in the construction of socialism, for the further enhancement of the revolutionary consciousness and drive of our working masses in the struggle for the ceaseless progress and prosperity of our socialist homeland.

An encouragement in these efforts and in this struggle will be the celebration, this year, of the 39th anniversary of the liberation of the homeland and the commemoration of the centenary of the birth of the great Marxist-Leninist, Joseph Stalin.

Let us get down to work, comrades, with even greater drive, let us throw ourselves into the new battles which await us, with even greater determination. Let us always advance courageously on the glorious road along which the Party of Labour of Albania is guiding us with Comrade Enver Hoxha at the head.

Afternoon Session

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[Summary] The Fifth Democratic Front Congress held its second session this afternoon at 1700. The session dealt with discussions on the report regarding the activity of the General Council of the Albanian Democratic Front and its future tasks.

At this session a number of delegates took the floor. They reviewed achievements in their respective districts and the transformations which have taken place under the people's regime, outlined future tasks and noted the important role played by the Democratic Front organizations in educating the working masses in a patriotic and revolutionary spirit.

The congress is continuing its proceedings.

TIRANA RADIO REPORTS ON FINAL 2 DAYS OF CONGRESS

5 June Proceedings

AU051425 Tirana Domestic Service in Albanian 1000 GMT 5 Jun 79 AU

[Summary] The Fifth Democratic Front Congress is continuing its proceedings successfully. The first sitting of today's session, which opened at 0800, local time, was chaired by Pilo Peristeri. The session continued with discussions on the report regarding the activity of the General Council of the Albanian Democratic Front and its future tasks.

Pilo Peristeri gave the floor to Manush Myftiu, deputy chairman of the Council of Ministers. "After noting the efforts of our patriots and men of renaissance for developing our national culture, Comrade Manush Myftiu emphasized the great work performed in the years since liberation up to the present for further developing our socialist culture and popular education."

The floor was then taken by the delegate of Tirana District, Servete Qamili, who reviewed the achievements of the Tirana District Democratic Front organization in promoting its cooperation with the other mass organizations.

Shefqet Peci, vice chairman of the People's Assembly Presidium, was the next speaker. He noted the performance in the drive to improve the standard of state organs, especially the People's Council, enabling them to implement the tasks set by the seventh party congress.

The delegate of Librazhd District, Natashe Lufari, was the next speaker. She reviewed the achievements of the Librazhd working class and cooperative peasantry and touched on the efforts of the Democratic Front organizations for implementing the initiative of livestock collectivization.

The floor was then taken by Foreign Minister Nesti Nase who said: "In foreign policy, our party and the Democratic Front have always been guided by the great revolutionary principles of proletarian internationalism." Nesti Nase also referred to the current tense world situation because of the imperialist policy pursued by American imperialism and Soviet and Chinese social imperialism.

Other delegates also took the floor at the first sitting of today's session. They outlined the tasks of the district Democratic Front organizations for increasing their vigilance and revolutionary readiness and further strengthening the country's defense might. They also reviewed district achievements under the people's regime. At this point the first sitting of today's session was adjourned.

At the second sitting of today's session, chaired by Zina Franja, the floor was taken by Themie Thomai, deputy chairman of the General Council of the Albanian Democratic Front, who reviewed the achievements of our socialist agriculture.

Tirana delegate Ismail Kadare was the next speaker. He reviewed the progress of Albanian culture achieved "in irreconcilable struggle against every alien and religious (?manifestation), the culture which began developing since the national liberation struggle and was enriched in the following years."

The floor was then taken by the delegate of Pogradec District, Llambi Gegprifti, who greeted the congress on behalf of the army. He once again assured the congress that the army will discharge its duty with honor so as to defend the country and the great victories which have been achieved.

Pranvera Sadiku, not further identified, next read the report of the credentials commission. Other delegates also took the floor.

The congress is continuing its proceedings.

6 June Proceedings

AU061350 [Editorial Report AU] Tirana Domestic Service in Albanian at 1230 GMT on 6 June broadcasts a 4-minute recorded report on today's proceedings of the Fifth Congress of the Albanian Democratic Front held in Vlore on 6 June. The reporter describes the joyful scenes prevailing last night in the city of Vlore and on various activities related to the congress. He then goes on to report on this morning's proceedings. The first two sittings were presided respectively, the reporter states, by Xhorxhi Robo and Vito Kapo, and the congress heard delegates from various districts. The congress then endorsed the report delivered on the first day by Ramiz Alia and issued instructions to the organizations and organs of the Democratic Front to carry out a mass propaganda and ideopolitical education campaign among the masses based on this report and other congress material.

The reporter says that congress also endorsed an appeal addressed to the Albanian people, without giving any details. He also stated that Ramiz Alia proposed to the congress a list of the new members of the General Council of the Albanian Democratic Front, headed by Enver Hoxha. The list was approved unanimously, the reporter stated.

The reporter states that the third sitting of today's session was presided over by Enver Hoxha and that prizes for winners of socialist competitions were handed out.

Next the radio carries a 25-minute recorded speech by Enver Hoxha, first secretary of the AWP Central Committee Politburo, at the closing session of the Fifth Albanian Democratic Front Congress on 6 June.

Hoxha Closing Speech

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[Closing speech by Enver Hoxha, first secretary of the AWP Central Committee Politburo, at the final session of the Fifth Albanian Democratic Front Congress held in Vlore on 6 June-

[Text] Tirana, June 6 (ATA)--Follows the closing speech of Comrade Enver Hoxha at the Fifth Congress of the Democratic Front of Albania.

The Fifth Congress of the Democratic Front of Albania Was a Brilliant Manifestation of the Steel-Like Unity of the People Around the Party

Dear comrades, our congress is concluding its proceedings. At its first meeting, the new General Council which you unanimously elected, also elected unanimously and with applause its chairmanship:

1.	Enver Hoxha	Chairman
2.	Myslim Peza	Vice-chairman
3.	Ramiz Alia	Vice-chairman
4.	Pilo Peristeri	Vice-chairman
5.	Gjela Biba	Vice-chairman
6.	Xhorxhi Robo	Secretary
7.	Aleks Buda	Member
8.	Agim Kellici	Member
9.	Besim Daja	Member
10.	Dritero Agolli	Member
11.	Ethem Barhani	Member
12.	Farija Salicaj	Member
13.	Ideale Hasko	Member
14.	Jorgo Selo	Member
15.	Koci Mone	Member
16.	Mahan Saliu	Member
17.	Mehmet Rama	Member
18.	Nazar Berberi	Member
19.	Njazi Cepani	Member
20.	Qirjako Harito	Member
21.	Ramiz Agolli	Member
22.	Shpresa Jano	Member
23.	Tish Daia	Member
24.	Vito Kapo	Member
25.	Valdete Sala	Member

Allow me, comrades, to thank you in the name of the General Council and the new chairmanship of the front, for your confidence in and the great honor you made us by electing us to the chairmanship of the Democratic Front of Albania.

We assure the congress, the entire organization of the front, the entire people as well as our party that we shall put all our forces and shall spare nothing to successfully fulfil the lofty and responsible duty with which you charged us. We promise that we shall work unsparingly to mobilize the people in struggle for the construction of socialism, for the fulfilment and overfulfilment of the state plans, the present and the future ones, for the strengthening of the defence, freedom and independence of the homeland.

The proceeding of our congress, the contributions that were made here, were a vivid proof of the lofty political consciousness which characterizes our people, of the feeling of responsibility and preoccupation of our people for the successful discharge of the tasks laid down by the development of the country and the situation in which we live. The Fifth Congress of the Democratic Front of Albania was a brilliant manifestation of the steel-like unity of the people around the party, of the determination of the workers, peasants, intellectuals, of our entire working people, to always carry forward the cause of socialism in Albania.

The problems discussed, the thoughts expressed and the proposals made here, are of very great importance, because they will help to raise to a higher level the work of the organization of the front, the enthusiasm of the people, their allround mobilization at work. Our task, comrade delegates, is to carry the revolutionary and militant spirit, the optimism and confidence that were expressed here, to the broad masses of the people, throughout the homeland, in the cities, villages, quarters and in every family, so that all the work in agriculture, industry, education, culture and defence assumed a new upsurge, so that the tasks are fulfilled and overfulfilled everywhere.

The Next Five Year Plan of the P.S.R. of Albania Will Be Bigger Than the Plans We Have Drafted So Far. It Will Be the First Plan Which Will Be Based Entirely on Our Own Internal Resources and Will Be Realized Only Through Our Own Forces, Without any Credit or Economic Aid From Abroad

The successful realization of the tasks, the fulfilment of the 6th Five-Year Plan in all the sectors and in all its indices, will be a powerful basis for the future five-year plan, which the Central Committee of the party and government are drafting. This plan, which will be bigger than the plans we have drafted so far, will open to our country new even more magnificent prospects. Our heavy and light industry will further develop, the energy basis will further extend, the extraction and processing of oil and minerals will increase, the production of equipment and machinery in the country will increase, agriculture will make strides forward, education and culture will assume a fresh impulse, the wellbeing of the people will be raised further. The new five year plan will be the first plan which will be based entirely on our own internal resources and will be realized only through our own forces, without any credit or economic aid from abroad.

The Albanian people, just as up till now, with this five-year plan too, will show to the whole world, to whoever it may be, even to sceptics, how a country can be built and developed with its own forces, when it is led by Marxism-Leninism and has at its head a party loyal to the cause of socialism, the interests of the homeland and the people.

The Reality of Socialist Albania--a Proof of the Superiority of True Socialist Order Over the Capitalist, Bourgeois and Revisionist System

The wonderful reality which exists in our country and the brilliant prospects which have been opened up to us, owe to our heroic and patriotic people, to the working class, cooperativists peasantry, people's intelligentsia, women and youth. They owe to the correct line of the party, which has led and is leading us with wisdom from victory to victory.

This reality and these prospects are a vivid proof of the vitality of Marxism-Leninism, of the inexhaustible strength and indisputable superiority of the true socialist order over the capitalist, bourgeois and revisionist system.

Imperialism, revisionism and their ideologists attack our socialist order, our proletarian democracy, because they want to hide the decay of the system and the reactionary character of their regimes, because they want to keep the working people in darkness, oppression and exploitation.

To remain in power, imperialism lives and works for the enslavement and physical and spiritual destruction of the people, whereas socialism fights for the opposite, for their all-round emancipation and development. Capitalism spreads and develops corruption, religion, crime, drug-addiction, degeneration, whilst socialism fights against all these wounds of the bourgeois society and does not allow their spreading. Capitalism seeks to maintain in power the exploiting class and oppress the broad working masses, whilst socialism overthrows this class and gives full freedom to the working people. Socialism fights for the happiness of the people, whereas capitalism brings about their misery. Socialism is against the predatory wars, whereas capitalism has them in its blood. Through war and aggression it seeks to prolong its lifetime, to suck the blood of the peoples, to prevent them from winning their freedom, independence and building up their new life. Socialism creates the unity of the people and the love for one another, whereas capitalism creates division, feuds and quarrels among the masses. These divisions and these quarrels are employed by the capitalist and revisionist bourgeoisie to suppress the working class and the other working masses.

Revolution Is a Question of Time and Time Works for Socialism and Not for Imperialism

World capitalism, American imperialism and Soviet social imperialism and the Chinese one are sinking deeper and deeper into the economic, political, ideological and moral crisis which has engulfed them and which is further aggravating all the internal and external contradictions and antagonisms of theirs. They have begun to be frightened and terrified, because the situations are developing to their disfavour. Now the people not only that are moving, but also are rising in revolutionary and liberation struggle which is endangering the capitalist and revisionist domination. [sentence as received] A vivid example to this is the revolution which overthrew the shah of Iran. The oil problem, which became more acute by this revolution, is shaking more and more the capitalist and revisionist world.

The struggle of the working class the world over, which is being joined by the democratic and progressive forces with every passing day, is dealing powerful blows to the oppressive and exploiting capitalist system. In the face of the uniterrupted decay and rottenness of the capitalist order, a powerful storm, the liberation struggle of the people, is on the upsurge. This great awakening of the peoples is evident everywhere, on all the continents. It is evident also in Africa, the peoples of which have experienced the gravest colonial oppression. From day to day, the peoples of this continent, the proletariat and the new intelligentsia, which is showing itself quite revolutionary, are ever more realistically seeing both the oppression of the foreigners, and that of their internal enemies. They are resolutely rising against this double oppression.

The revolt against imperialism and its enslaving policy, against American imperialism and its Zionist tool, against the interferences of the Soviet social imperialists, and the intrigues of the Chinese social imperialists, is growing and extending in the Middle East. The peoples of Latin America and Asia, too, are fighting for freedom and independence against foreign imperialist oppression and reaction.

The world today lives in the epoch of the decay of capitalism, at a time when the strikes and demonstrations of the world proletariat and the national-liberation struggles of the peoples are seething, when quantity will be turned into quality, when shahs, kings and tyrants will be dethroned and imperialism will topple. This is the objective law of the development of the society. There is no other road. The revolution is a question of time and time works for socialism and not for imperialism.

In the present-day epoch, no revisionist demagogy, no bourgeois political formulae, no whip and no police bullet can stop the triumphant march of the revolution.

Albania and its People Want To Live in Friendship With all the States Which Do Not Pursue Hostile Aims Towards our Country

The Albanian people have been and will always be in solidarity with and side by side the peoples. They have supported and will support powerfully their revolutionary and liberation struggles.

Albania and its people want to live in friendship with all those states, which do not pursue hostile aims towards our country. We stand for the Leninist peaceful co-existence, and not for a la-Khrushchevite and revisionist co-existence. We like neither oppression, nor plunder, nor expansion. We want to live in freedom, in independence and in honourable friendship with the others. The Albanian people hate and fight against those who seek to violate the principles of equality, non-interference in the internal affairs and observing of sovereignty.

We do not pick a quarrel with someone, but we seek that the others keep their hands away from Socialist Albania. In case that someone touches our homeland, he will be badly defeated. Times have changed. Today Albania has its master, the Albanian people, united like a strong and steel-like fist. They know how to be defended politically, economically and militarily.

Comrades, now you will return to your districts, being in the van of your work places, and the great tasks facing you. The congress of the front armed, inspired and gave us new energies to fight more resolutely and enthusiastically for our beloved Albania, for our wonderful people, for socialism and communism.

Long live the heroic Albanian people.
Long live the unity of the people in the Democratic Front.
Long live our glorious party.
Glory to Marxism-Leninism.

Before that we close the congress, allow me, in the name of all of you, comrade delegates, to convey our most cordial thanks and our gratitude to the heroic people of Vlore, who received us with so much, with so much generosity, great affection and patriotism, and created very good conditions for us to successfully conclude the proceedings of this congress.

I declare the 5th Congress of the Democratic Front of Albania closed.

PARTY, STATE LEADERS ATTEND CONCERT MARKING CONGRESS

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[Summary] A concert was performed at Flag Square in Vlore today to mark the Fifth Congress of the Albanian Democratic Front.

Amid applause, the delegates, guests and hundreds of Vlore residents welcomed the arrival of "Comrade Enver Hoxha, AWP Central Committee first secretary; Haxhi Lleshi, chairman of the People's Assembly Presidium; Mehmut Shehu, chairman of the Council of Ministers; and Comrades Hysni Kapo, Ramiz Alia, Spiro Koleka, Rita Marko, Hekuran Isai, Haki Toska, Pali Miska, Lenka Cuko and Pilo Peristeri; Prokop Murra, party Central Committee secretary; Shefqet Peci, vice chairman of the People's Assembly Presidium; and members of the party Central Committee and the government." They were accompanied by Sulejman Baholli, first secretary of the Vlore District party committee.

The amateur and professional artists and folklore groups from various parts of the country sang about the party, the fatherland, the transformations made on the road of socialist construction, our happy life and the struggle waged by our party against revisionism of all shades.